

## Department of Health and Social Services

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Dear Resident and/or Resident Representative:

In April, 2019, the Department of Health & Social Services proposed changes to regulations in 7 AAC 74 that included changes to the rates charged to residents and levels of service provided at Alaska Pioneer Homes. After careful review it is the decision of Department of Health and Social Services that rates will be increased to match the cost of providing services and the Pioneer Homes will implement a five level of service model as described in the new regulations at 7 AAC 74.010. A copy of the newly adopted 7 AAC 74.010(c), which describes the new service levels is enclosed with this letter.

Please accept this letter as notification pursuant to AS 47.33.090 of a rate increase that will go into effect September 1, 2019. No resident will be required to move from the Alaska Pioneer Home if they do not have the ability to pay.

The level of service and rates are as follows:

Level I: \$3,623.00 Level II: \$6,569.00 Level III: \$11,185.00 Level IV: \$13,333.00 Level V: \$15,000.00

Your level of service is < > at a monthly rate of < >

You have previously been approved for Payment Assistance, therefore the monthly amount you are required to pay is < >.

Your level of service is based on the enclosed Level of Service Assessment. A representative from your Pioneer Home will be meeting with you or your legal representative to answer questions, discuss your level of service, and execute a new assisted living home contract. The Division of Alaska Pioneer Homes has a long history of assuring elders have a home regardless of their ability to pay. This is one of the distinguishing characteristics the Pioneer Home system provides for Alaskan seniors. The Division of Alaska Pioneer Homes offers assistance to all residents who are unable to pay the full monthly charges incurred while living within a Pioneer Home through the Payment Assistance Program. Please work with your home Administrator and Social Worker if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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